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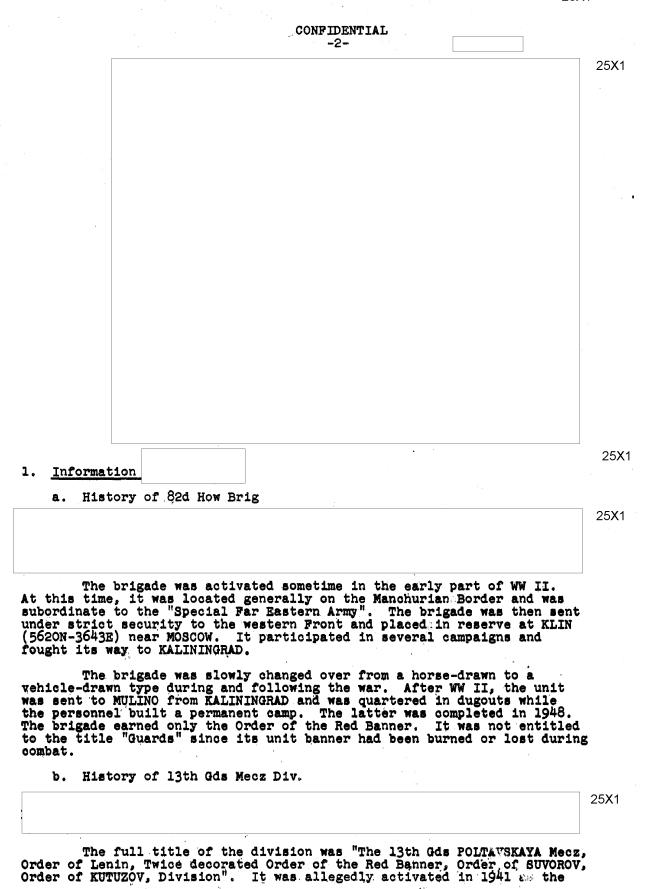
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In 1942 it was sent to the STALINGRAD area and became subordinate to the 62d Army. It participated in the defense of STALINGRAD and was awarded its first Order of the Red Banner.

The Division then went into the offensive and was awarded a second Order of the Red Banner for seizing an unidentified town between POLTAVA and STALINGRAD. It also participated in the seizure of POLTAVA and for this was awarded the honorific title "Poltavskaya". The division fought on to KIEV, seizing a number of villages along the way, and continued on to YASY (4710N-2737E), Rumania. For the latter actions, it received the Order of Suvorov.

The division then moved northwest and seized a large area south 25X1 of WARSAW, for which it was decorated with the Order of Kutuzov. The offensive carried the division on to the storming of BERLIN. Following this the unit was sent in the direction of PRAGUE, but it received orders while en route to continue on to VIENNA instead, where it remained.

a. History of the 459th Mortar Regiment

The full title of the regiment was "The 459th Novograd-Volinski, Order of the Red Star, Mortar Regiment". It had been activated not far from MOSCOW during the early part of WW II. It participated in the seizure of NOVOGRAD-VOLINSKI, for which it was awarded the honorific the same name. The regiment the regiment was awarded the Order of the red Star. The regiment participated in the Soviet offensive almost up to the gates of BERLIN; then it was re-routed to the south in the direction of the Carpathians. It subsequently returned to its present location.

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It had been formed as a rifle regiment near STALINGRAD in the early part of the war and was subordinate to the 13th Gds Mecz Div, which was a rifle unit at that time. The regiment had earned the Order of the Red Banner and other unknown decorations during the war.

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